

**Memorandum of the Meeting
Regular Study Session
Twenty-Seventh Town Council of Highland
Monday, January 07, 2013**

The regular study session of the Twenty-Seventh Town Council of the Town of Highland was convened at the regular place, the Highland Municipal Building, 3333 Ridge Road, Highland, Indiana, in the council meeting room on Monday, January 07, 2013 at 7:00 o'clock p.m.

Silent Roll Call: Councilors Bernie Zemen, Mark Herak, Brian Novak, Konnie Kuiper, and Dan Vassar were present. The Town Clerk-Treasurer, Michael W. Griffin, was present to memorialize the proceedings. A quorum was attained.

Staff present: Rhett L. Tauber, Town Attorney; and Kenneth Mika, Building Commissioner.

General Substance of Matters Discussed:

1. The Town Council was briefed by the Town Attorney and the Building Commissioner regarding the current zoning ordinance and use variances in particular. The Town Attorney offered a cursory overview of the case law informing the issue regarding sign regulation.
2. The Town Attorney expressed concerns regarding the level of legislative discretion that may be exercised by the Town with regard to sign regulation under the zoning ordinance. It was further noted that location could be a regulatory consideration regarding what may be permissible under variances.

There was discussion about the aesthetic standards informing the regulatory rationale codified in the ordinance.

Following the discussion, the Town Attorney and the Building Commissioner departed.

3. The Town Council discussed the mailing and receipt of the notices of reassessment being transmitted pursuant to the law governing reassessment.

There being no further matters to discuss before the Town Council, the regular study session of the Town Council, of Monday, January 07, 2013, was adjourned 7:13 o'clock p.m.

Michael W. Griffin, IAMC/MMC/CPFA/CPFIM
Clerk-Treasurer